



California Department of Food and Agriculture  
Pierce's Disease Program  
Pierce's Disease/Glassy-winged Sharpshooter Board

## 2002 Request for Project Suggestions

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The Pierce's Disease/Glassy-winged Sharpshooter (PD/GWSS) Board of the California Department of Food and Agriculture is accepting project suggestions for research on Pierce's disease and the glassy-winged sharpshooter. Suggestions may focus on the priority areas listed below. Information about currently funded PD/GWSS Board projects can be found on our web site or by calling Pierce's Disease Program (PDP) staff to order proceedings of the annual Pierce's Disease Research Symposium. This solicitation and other information about the PD/GWSS Board or the PDP are available on our website at [www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/pdcp](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/phpps/pdcp).

## Summary

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Proponents must submit a two-page project suggestion. Suggestions will be reviewed by the PD/GWSS Board Research Screening Committee to determine whether it matches program goals. If a project suggestion is selected, program staff will provide proponents with guidelines to prepare a detailed proposal. Selected project suggestion topics will be listed in the Request for Proposals (RFP) and will be advertised in the State Contracts Register. Multiple applications are acceptable.

## Timeline

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Request for Project Suggestions Released	November 2002
Project Suggestions Due	January 3, 2003
RFP released	March 2003
Proposals due	May 2003
Award Notification	June 2003
Project Start date	July 2003 or later

## Areas of Focus

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1. Biological Control of Glassy-winged Sharpshooter
2. Biological Control of Pierce's Disease
3. Biology, Ecology, and Direct Impact of Glassy-winged Sharpshooter
4. Breeding Cultivars of Grapes Resistant to Pierce's Disease
5. Epidemiology of Pierce's Disease
6. Genetics of *Xylella fastidiosa*
7. Monitoring and Database Management
8. Use of Pesticides and Alternative Treatments to Control Glassy-winged Sharpshooter and Pierce's Disease
9. Enhancement of survey and detection methods (i.e. traps, lures, attractants)

## Additional Areas

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Other projects that support program objectives will be considered.

## Who May Apply

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Any individual or group is eligible and encouraged to submit a project suggestion. Projects must be relevant to California conditions.

## Selection and Notification

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All project suggestions will be reviewed by the PD/GWSS Board Research Screening Committee, which includes growers, representatives of institutions of higher education, the wine industry, CDFA, USDA, and other governmental agencies. The committee will select project suggestions based on the project's concept, impact, methodology and feasibility.

Request for Proposals (RFP) for the suggested topics will be advertised in the State Contracts Register. Any qualified entity is eligible to respond to the RFP. Proponents may submit a detailed proposal in response to the State Contracts Register advertisement.

## How to Apply

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Project suggestions may not exceed two pages. Please include the following information:

1. Project title, project location, project duration and project leader(s) information (name, title, affiliation, mailing address, telephone number and e-mail address).
2. Provide a simple and concise summary of the problem to be addressed.
3. Describe the target audience.
4. State the objectives of the proposed project, and describe the general approach to be used.

*(Note: At this time no budget specifics are required.)*

**Twelve (12) copies of your project suggestions are due by 4:00 p.m., January 3, 2003.** Incomplete, late or project suggestions exceeding two pages will be returned, and eliminated from consideration. Fax or e-mail suggestions will be accepted. *(Choose one method only. You may contact us to verify your submission has been received. One fax copy is sufficient, we will make copies; e-mailed suggestions will be acknowledged.)* CDFA/PDP/PD-GWSS Board are not responsible for incomplete fax or e-mail transmissions.

## Send Your Project Suggestion To:

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